

This is a comment on MB Docket No. 04-160. I believe granting satellite radio the right to broadcasting local weather and traffic hurts our community because:

We're the local station they listen to. We're the ones they come to when they need to reach out to the community for the United Way, the Heart Association and other local and regional agencies. We're the ones who broadcast the "Relay For Life", drive the car for breast cancer awareness or run in the "Heart run and walk."

I made a phone call this morning to my traffic director when I saw an accident on my way to work this morning and he had it on my stations ASAP as well as a reroute for the listener on their way to work. Ever see a satellite station come to the aid of local communities? Ever hear one call it's traffic dept on the way to work? Neither have I 'cause it won't work. I break my promise to the FCC and I get fined. XM and Sirius break their promises and they get rewarded with local access? How fair is that? My crew and I work hard at being locally involved every day. We don't try to be something we're not. Allow "local" access to satellite radio and you hurt my business dramatically. Don't let the faux broadcaster try and dupe the public into thinking they are 'local' when they are not. In what form of the "public interest" does that fall under?